

A photograph of a park bench in a snowy, dark environment at night. A tall street lamp stands behind the bench, casting a bright glow. The background shows snow-covered trees and buildings under a dark sky.

CAMBRIDGE 2006

Resident Information

Traffic, Parking & Transportation Department
344 Broadway ♦ Cambridge, MA 02139

617.349.4700

www.cambridgema.gov/traffic



WHAT'S NEW IN CAMBRIDGE?



Luke “The New Guy in Town”

Luke is a multi-space meter that accepts quarters and credit cards.

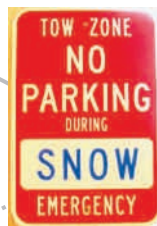
He, currently, can be found in city parking lots on Warren St., Windsor St. & Springfield St.

Parking Control Officers are using **Handheld Ticket Writers**. The ticket writers are more efficient and produce a parking ticket that is legible and accurate.



New **Parking Meters** have been placed in the city.

Many **Snow Emergency** “No Parking” signs have been removed creating more spaces for residents of restricted streets. This will result in less towing.



City **Parking Garages** equipment are getting a facelift.

- New cashiering terminals
- New cashier booths

E-Line Street Cleaning & Snow Parking Ban reminders plus much more info.

Sign-Up



www.cambridgema.gov



The Traffic, Parking and Transportation Department operates many of the City’s transportation services. It’s main responsibility is to ensure that the City’s street system is safe for vehicular and non-vehicular use through parking regulations, parking meters, traffic signals, signs, crosswalks, bicycle facilities, and pavement markings. Associated with these activities, the Department issues Resident Parking permits, enforces parking regulations, adjudicates parking tickets, performs and reviews traffic studies, and issues Street Obstruction and Street Closing permits. The Department operates two parking garages, one in Central Square and one in East Cambridge.



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**DON'T GET CAUGHT
REMEMBER!**



- ➡ Street Cleaning is done once a month from April through December. Remember to check street signs along with the street cleaning schedule and holiday date change schedule on page 5.
- ➡ Snow plowing is done on major streets. Move your vehicle to avoid being towed during snow emergencies.
- ➡ Read signs. Don't get towed.
- ➡ If you are going away, move your car off the street or leave your keys with a neighbor. Don't get towed.
- ➡ Permitted residents may obtain temporary parking permits if vehicle is being repaired.



Traffic, Parking And Transportation Department

Department Numbers

Main Number	617-349-4700
Fax Numbers (Administration).....	617-349-4747
Parking Services	617-349-4735
Street Obstruction Permits.....	617-349-4733
Parking Ticket Information	617-349-4700
Parking Tickets "Pay by Phone"	617-491-7277
Resident Permit Parking	617-349-4700
Street Closing/Obstruction Permits	617-349-4721
Traffic Signal/Signs Problem	617-349-4715/4723
Winter Parking Ban.....	617-349-4700
TTY/TDD	617-349-4621

Important Numbers

City Council Office	617-349-4280
City Hall General Information	617-349-4000
City Manager's Office.....	617-349-4300
Comm. for Persons with Disabilities	617-349-4692
Emergency Police and Fire	911

Massachusetts Registry of Motors Vehicles	617-351-4500
Mayor's Office	617-349-4321
Public Works Department	
General Information	617-349-4800
Graffiti	617-349-INFO
Pothole/Sidewalk Defect	617-349-4854
Recycling Program.....	617-349-4005
Sewer Problems	617-349-4860/1
Un-shoveled Sidewalk	617-349-4903
Towed Vehicles.....	617-349-3300



Website www.cambridgema.gov/traffic



We would appreciate your comments and suggestions regarding information that should be included in this brochure by e-mail (parkingservices@cambridgema.gov) or letter.




Resident Parking Permit.

- ❖ Expires January 31st each year.
- ❖ Place on the lower left driver's side of rear window or left rear window.
- ❖ New registrations and new vehicles need new permits.
- ❖ Permits are good in Resident Parking throughout the City.
- ❖ Proof of residency is required for permit. See our website for details.
- ❖ Permitted residents are eligible for temporary permits in the event their vehicle needs repair.

Visitor Parking Permit

- ❖ Visitor Permits are for visitors only.
- ❖ Valid in your immediate area only (see map on back of permit).
- ❖ Place permit on dashboard face up.
- ❖ Rules on back of permit

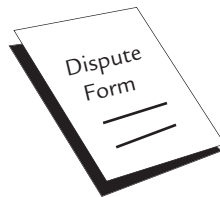
Parking Tickets

- ❖ On-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)
- ❖ Pay by Phone (617) 491-7277 
- ❖ Pay by Mail - P.O. Box 399113, Cambridge, MA 02139
- ❖ Walk-in
- ❖ Make checks payable to the "City of Cambridge".
- ❖ All outstanding parking tickets must be paid to receive a RMV release form.

Parking Ticket Disputes

Complete a dispute form to contest ticket.

- ❖ On-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)
- ❖ By mail
- ❖ Walk-in



Vehicles will be towed for:

- ❖ Street cleaning
- ❖ Snow removal
- ❖ Emergency "No Parking" signs (posted 24 hrs in advance)



If towed call Cambridge Police (617) 349-3300



Booted Vehicles

- ❖ 5 or more overdue parking tickets
- ❖ No personal checks accepted
- ❖ See website, www.cambridgema.gov/traffic, for further information

Consideration is granted when a resident has a gathering with guests from outside the City

Apply:

- ❖ On-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)
- ❖ By mail (Attn: Enforcement)
- ❖ Walk-in
- ❖ By fax (617) 349-4735
- ❖ By phone (617) 349-4731

Traffic, Parking & Transportation Regulations are available

- ❖ On-line (PDF) www.cambridgema.gov/traffic
- ❖ Traffic Dept., 344 Broadway for a fee of \$5.00

Disability Parking Space sign

- ❖ Doctor's Letter
- ❖ No off street parking available
- ❖ Resident Parking only
- ❖ Application available on-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)
- ❖ Application available from Traffic Dept. (617) 349-4711

Commercial Loading Zones

Expeditious unloading, delivering or pick-up of materials

- ❖ Vehicle must have commercial plates
- ❖ Information available on-line
- ❖ Application available from Traffic Dept. (617) 349-4723

Driveway

- ❖ Property owner may request enforcement when blocked
- ❖ Considerate resident should always use their driveway
- ❖ Request towing from Cambridge Police (617) 349-3300

City of Cambridge's 2 Municipal Garages

- ❖ East Cambridge Garage on First Street
- ❖ Green St.- Franklin St. Garage



2006 Street Sweeping Schedule

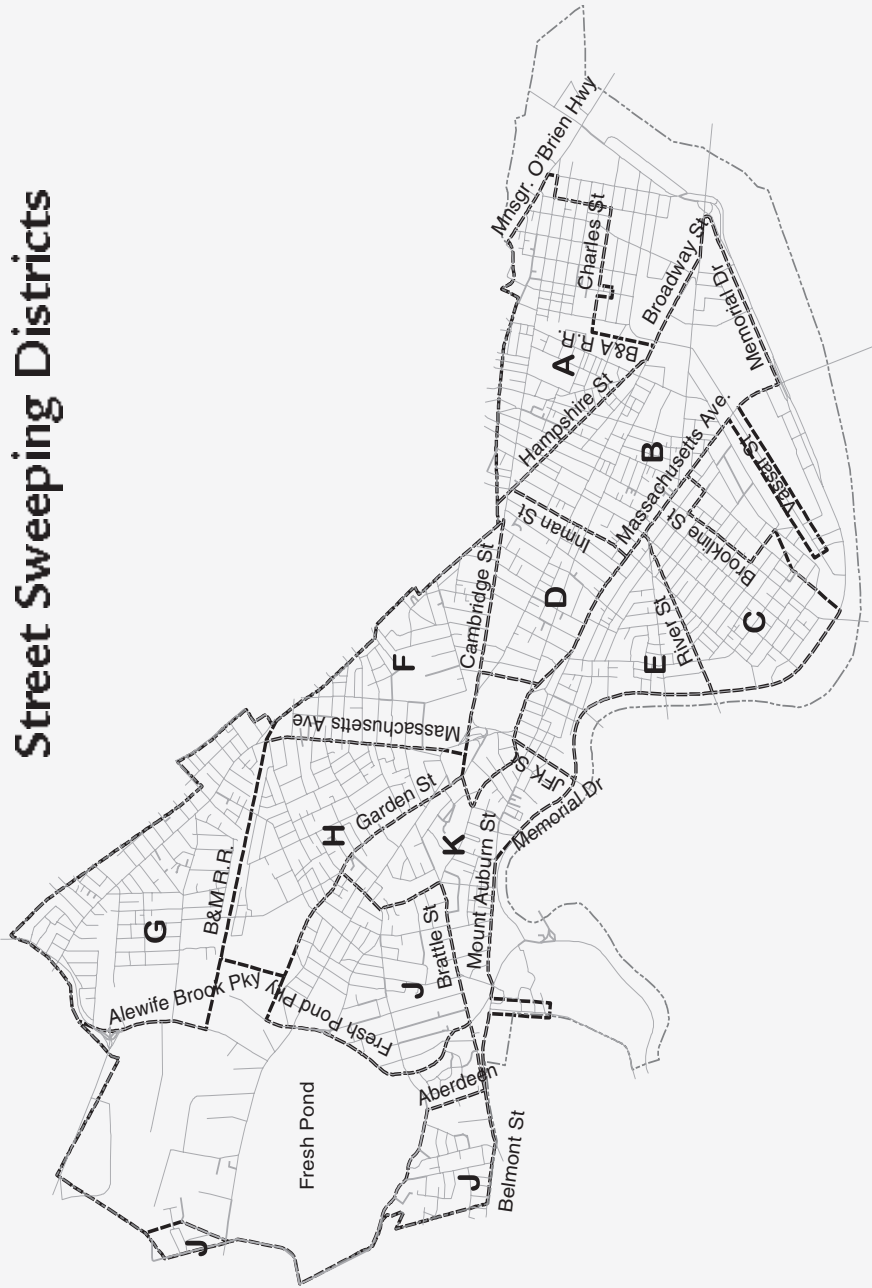
DISTRICT	SIDE	DAY	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
A	ODD	1st Wed	5	3	7	5	2	6	4	1	6
A	EVEN	1st Thur	6	4	1	6	3	7	5	2	7
B	ODD	1st Mon	3	1	5	3	7	31-Aug	2	6	4
B	EVEN	1st Tues	4	2	6	29-Jun	1	5	3	7	5
C	ODD	1st Fri	7	5	2	7	4	1	6	3	1
C	EVEN	2nd Mon	10	8	12	10	14	11	29-Sep	13	11
D	ODD	2nd Tues	11	9	13	11	8	12	10	14	12
D	EVEN	2nd Wed	12	10	14	12	9	13	11	8	13
E	ODD	2nd Thur	13	11	8	13	10	14	12	9	14
E	EVEN	2nd Fri	14	12	9	14	11	8	13	31-Oct	8
F	ODD	3rd Mon	*	15	19	17	21	18	16	20	18
F	EVEN	3rd Tues	18	16	20	18	15	19	17	21	19
G	ODD	3rd Wed	19	17	21	19	16	20	18	15	20
G	EVEN	3rd Thur	20	18	15	20	17	21	19	16	21
H	ODD	3rd Fri	21	19	16	21	18	15	20	17	15
H	EVEN	4th Mon	24	22	26	24	28	25	23	27	29-Dec
J	ODD	4th Tues	25	23	27	25	22	26	24	28	26
J	EVEN	4th Wed	26	24	28	26	23	27	25	22	27
K	ODD	4th Thur	27	25	22	27	24	28	26	29-Nov	28
K	EVEN	4th Fri	28	26	23	28	25	22	27	30-Nov	22

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

*April 17 will be posted and swept on March 31 · July 4 will be posted and swept on June 29 · Sept. 4 will be posted and swept on August 31 · October 9 will be posted and swept on Sept. 29 · Nov. 10 will be posted and swept on Oct. 31 · Nov. 23 will be posted and swept on Nov. 29 · Nov. 24 will be posted and swept on Nov. 30 · Dec. 25 will be posted and swept on Dec. 29.



Street Sweeping Districts



Street Occupancy Permits authorize temporary parking on the street for a special purpose. The permit overrides the existing regulations on the street. Street Occupancy permits are not issued to allow commuter parking.

Permits

Applications available on-line (www.cambridgema.gov/traffic)

- ❖ Block Party Permit
- ❖ Construction Truck/Traffic Clearance
- ❖ Dumpster Permit
- ❖ Moving Crate Permit
- ❖ Moving Van Permit

Frequently
Asked
Questions

Contact
Us

Snow Emergency Parking Ban

- ❖ No Parking during declared snow emergency where signed.
- ❖ Call (617) 349-4700 for snow emergency information
- ❖ Check City's Website www.cambridgema.gov



Homeowner's responsibilities when it snows

- ❖ Clear sidewalk of snow and ice
- ❖ Dig out fire hydrants
- ❖ Dig out catch basins
- ❖ Clear ramps
- ❖ Check www.cambridgema.gov/TheWorks

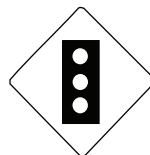


Traffic Signal Problems

- ❖ Fill out form on www.cambridgema.gov/traffic
- ❖ E-mail TPSignalinquiries@cambridgema.gov
- ❖ Call (617) 349-4715

Traffic or Parking Sign Problems

- ❖ Fill out form on www.cambridgema.gov/traffic
- ❖ E-mail TPSigninquiries@cambridgema.gov
- ❖ Call (617) 349-4723



Enforcement requested

- ❖ Call Parking Enforcement (617) 349-4731





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DEPUTY CITY MANAGER

RICHARD C. ROSSI

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BRAD GERRATT, Deputy Director

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STEPHEN ROBERTS	Parking Enforcement Coordinator
JEFF PARENTI	Traffic Engineer
ALBANO REGO	Fiscal Manager
JASON SCHRIEBER	Transportation Planner
STEPHEN LA ROSA	Street Permit Coordinator



DOING BUSINESS ON-LINE

Many services and information is available on the department's web page.

PAY

- ❖ Parking ticket



DISPUTE

- ❖ Parking ticket
- ❖ Tow



REQUEST

- ❖ Visitor parking consideration
- ❖ Loading zone

APPLY FOR

- ❖ Permit for moving van
- ❖ Street occupancy permit
- ❖ Disability parking space on-street

REPORT

- ❖ Missing sign
- ❖ Malfunctioning signal



VIEW

- ❖ City's Traffic and Parking Regulations
- ❖ Street cleaning schedule
- ❖ Street construction updates



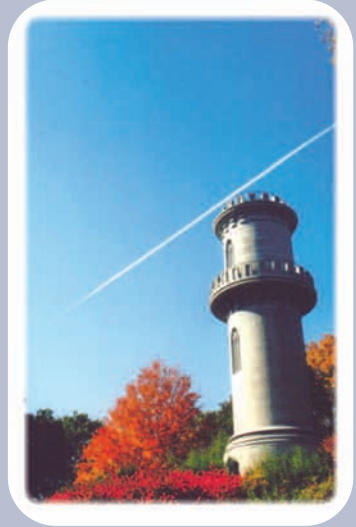
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The Historical Beauty of Cambridge



Cambridge City Hall, 1888
Photo by: Nimesh Patel



Washington Tower (Mt. Auburn Cemetery), 1854
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Middlesex Registry of Deeds, 1896
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Longfellow House, 1759
Photo by: John Patrick

